

## CALL HILL INTO COUNCIL.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATS PULL AT NEW YORK'S HARD KNOTS.

Croker and Hill Looking at Next Year as Well as This—Hill Men Say He Can Control the Convention—The "Combination" Laugh-Cooler and Hill Behind John C. Sheehan's Fight.

That was an interesting conference of Democrats which began at the Hoffman House yesterday morning at 9 o'clock on the arrival of ex-Senator David B. Hill from Normandy by the steamer "Hoffman." Hill, who is the most active and influential of the anti-Hill Democrats, was met by the Chairman James K. Jones of the National Committee, James M. McKelvey, National Committee for Pennsylvania, William A. Stone, National Committee for Missouri, Norman E. Mack, National Committee for New York, and others. The conference was held in the Hoffman House, and was attended by a number of times within the last ten days to confer with Mr. Hill as to calling together the Democratic State Convention to fix time and place for the election of a President and Vice-President.

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## THE RED-SHIRT CAMPAIGN.

Federal Injunction Feared on Election Day—Leaders Say It "Won't Go."

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## ENGLAND'S WAR LESSONS.

SOME PLAIN TALK NOW ABOUT THE ARMY'S RECORD IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Comment on Number of Unwounded Men Who Surrendered and Number of British Guns Captured—Speeches of Warning—Government Decides on Election in the Autumn.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. LONDON, July 28.—The British people had not much to occupy their thoughts just now in connection with South Africa and China, the country was so busy with the election of a great leader. Last May Lord Salisbury uttered a solemn warning of the imperative need that England be prepared for war, even to the extent of readiness to resist invasion. Last night, as already indicated, when pressed to make a further statement on the subject, the Premier, Lord Salisbury, contended himself, and vainly endeavored to persuade the House of Lords that all was well; but Lord Rosebery, who ought to be a good judge of the international situation, is Lord Salisbury, insisted that the Premier was altogether too optimistic, and that the situation at this moment justified the latter's former pessimism.

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## ICEBERG 300 FEET HIGH.

Columbian Passed the Monster Off the Banks Last Tuesday.

There was one cabin passenger aboard the Leyland Line steamer "Columbian," which arrived yesterday from Liverpool, and he might have seen off the Banks on Tuesday morning if he had been an early riser, something that very few passengers of any sort do. A glimpse of a sea colossal iceberg, computed by Third Officer Roberts to be 500 feet high. Very few bergs more than half that height have been seen in the North Atlantic.

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## RATHBONE IN CUBAN JAIL.

ARRESTED ON FOUR CHARGES INVOLVING ABOUT \$4,000.

He Denies Criminal Intent—Alleges He Had a Right to the \$5 A Day Allowance—Says He Paid Back \$500 Received on One Draft, but Did Not Get a Receipt—His Bondsmen for \$25,000 Not Accepted by the Court.

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## POPE REDUKES THE KAISER.

Hopes the Powers Will Not Resort to or Permit a Policy of Retaliation and Revenge.

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## DIDN'T REACH ENVOYS.

Messenger From Tientsin Turned Back by Imperial Troops.

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